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THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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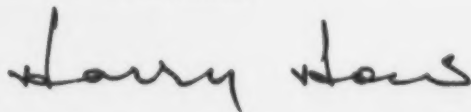
To His Honour:

The Honourable Alan R. Abraham, C.D.
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia

May it Please Your Honour:

I have the honour to submit to you the Report of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities for the year ended December 31, 1982.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Harry How". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Harry" and the last name "How" clearly distinguishable.

Harry W. How, Q.C.
Attorney General of the
Province of Nova Scotia



**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

**1526 Dresden Row,
Halifax, Nova Scotia,
September 20, 1983
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**Honourable Harry How, Q.C.,
Attorney General,
Province of Nova Scotia,
Halifax, Nova Scotia**

Dear Sir:

As directed by the Public Utilities Act, the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities has the honour to present its report for the year ending December 31, 1982.

In addition to its duties under the Public Utilities Act, the Board administers the Gasoline and Fuel Oil Licensing Act, the Motor Carrier Act and the Motor Vehicle Transport Act, and the Salvage Yards Licensing Act; acts as a Board for the purposes of the Municipal Boundaries and Representation Act which was transferred to the newly established Municipal Board on June 1, 1982, and performs special functions under the Bonus Act, the Insurance Act and other Acts of the Legislature. Brief reports on such matters are included herein.

Attached to this report as Schedules "A" and "B" are the financial statements of this Board for the year 1982 and a list of the public utilities as of December 31, 1982.

In addition to the written decisions noted in this report there were a large number of oral decisions delivered at the time of the hearings and appropriate orders were issued pursuant to the decisions.

Changes in Board Membership. There were no changes in membership of the Board in the year 1982.

PUBLIC UTILITIES - GENERAL

On December 31, 1982, the numbers and classifications of public utilities, both private and municipal, operating under the jurisdiction of the Board compared with December 31, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980 and 1981, are as follows:

	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
Electric (Municipal)	12	12	12	7	7	7
Electric (Crown Corporation)	1	1	1	1	1	1
Telephone (Mutual)	3	2	2	1	1	1
Telephone (Private)	2	2	2	2	1	1
Water (Municipal)	78	79	74	70	73	67
Water (Private)	1	1	1	1	1	0
Motor Carriers Operating as Public Utilities	5	5	5	5	3	3
Under Special Act (Halifax- Dartmouth Bridge Commission)	1	1	1	1	1	1

ELECTRIC

General. The demand for electric power and service to all customers increased by 1.50 per cent in the year 1982. A percentage comparison of the sales of kilowatt hours of electric power to the various classes of customers for the year 1982, as compared with the previous year, was as follows:

Kilowatt Hours Sales to	Percentage Increase or Decrease
Domestic Customers	2.57
Commercial Power, Industrial and General Service Customers	0.31
Street Lighting	0.11
Municipal Electric Utilities	4.56
All Customers	(1.50)

The number of kilowatt hours of energy generated in 1982 decreased by 3.68 per cent over the previous year. The tons of coal used to generate energy in the same period decreased by 8.75 per cent.

A comparison of the various sources used to generate power in 1982, as compared with 1981 is as follows:

Generation Source	Percentage Change
Steam	(7.91)
Hydro	23.72
Gas Turbine	(68.92)

Minor customer complaints were dealt with promptly and during the year the Board approved numerous proposed estimated capital expenditures for plant extensions, additions, replacements and improvements.

A Decision was issued by the Board with respect to an application initiated in 1982 by the Nova Scotia Power Corporation approving a Schedule of increased rates for electric energy and services supplied by the Corporation, including increased rates for energy furnished to distributing electric utilities in the Province.

Statistical. Since 1955 the Board has maintained for comparison and other purposes a record of statistical information related to the annual combined performance of electric public utilities in the Province. A portion of the information is set out below for each of the years 1979 to 1982 inclusive:

	1979	1980	1981	1982
(1) Number of Kilowatt Hours Generated by Steam:				
	4,873,700,000	4,712,251,300	5,478,134,940	5,424,210,000
Coal Generated				2,962,800,000
Oil Generated				2,463,100,000
(2) Number of Kilowatt Hours Generated by Hydro:				
	813,276,000	1,092,855,826	925,942,522	1,150,590,000
(3) Number of Kilowatt Hours Generated by Gas Turbine:				
	14,198,450	3,457,555	6,159,620	2,202,000
(4) Total Kilowatt Hours Generated:				
	5,701,174,450	5,808,564,681	6,410,237,082	6,574,800,000
(5) Tons of Coal used to Generate Energy:				
	850,528	1,002,208	1,589,480	1,450,318
(6) Number of Kilowatt Hours Purchased by Nova Scotia Electric Utilities from Nova Scotia Power Corporation:				
	415,034,425	254,880,300	185,203,184	176,751,512
(7) Kilowatt Hours Generated and Purchases (except from other Nova Scotia Electric Utilities):				
	5,850,600,675	6,126,289,881	6,524,339,882	6,388,463,499
(8) Kilowatt Hours Sold to Domestic Customers:				
	1,849,857,206	1,851,802,128	1,922,599,462	1,992,510,637
(9) Kilowatt Hours Sold to Commercial Lighting, Commercial Power, Industrial and General:				
	3,364,424,533	3,521,691,193	3,555,400,561	3,787,953,351
(10) Kilowatt Hours Sold for Street Lighting:				
	69,884,595	70,279,460	72,220,262	72,354,036

- (11) Kilowatt Hours Sold to all Customers (except to other Nova Scotia Public Utilities):

5,501,209,139 5,624,975,482 5,808,214,975 5,852,925,092

Rates: During the year 1982 the Schedule of Rates of the Electric Utilities were amended in the following manner:

Town of Mahone Bay—The Board, after a public hearing duly advertised, filed a decision approving a revised Schedule of Rates for Electric Supply and Services and approved amendments to the regulations, the new rates and regulations to be made effective July 1, 1982.

Town of Berwick—The Board issued an order dated December 22, 1982 approving a revision to the rules and regulations relating to underground services.

Kentville Electric Commission—The Board, after a public hearing duly advertised, by order on the 4th day of June, 1982, approved a revised Schedule of Rates effective the 1st day of May, 1982 and a further revision of rates effective the 1st day of January 1983.

Nova Scotia Power Corporation—The Board, after a public hearing duly advertised, filed a decision on the 21st day of December, 1982 which (1) approved a revision of the Schedule of Rates for the supply of Electric Energy and Services by the Corporation, effective the first day of January, 1983 and an additional across-the-board increase beginning the 1st day of April 1983 of 12.5%; (2) directed the Applicant to provide monthly information to measure the accuracy of the estimates used in this decision; (3) directed the applicant to apply to the Board for a review of its rules and regulations before the first day of March 1983; (4) approved existing rules and regulations until further ruling of the Board; (5) approved depreciation rates and directed applicant to conduct a depreciation study; (6) indicated that it would recommend legislation amending Section 36 of the Public Utilities Act relating to the use of funds in the depreciation reserve.

TELEPHONE

General. Telephone service in Nova Scotia at the end of 1982 was supplied by one private company, Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited and one mutual telephone company, Pugwash River Mutual Telephone Company, Limited. As of December 31, 1982 the total number of telephones in the Province was 532,513, a net increase of 13,142 during the calendar year. The net increase in 1981 was 20,606 telephones, in 1980 23,944, in 1979 23,355, and in 1978 20,307. On the basis of an estimated population of 855,000 there was 62.3 telephones per 100 population in Nova Scotia as of December 31, 1982 compared with 60.6 at the end of 1981, 58.2 at the end of 1980, 55.6 at the end of 1979 and 53.4 at the end of 1978. Overall Canadian development at December 31, 1981 was 69.3 per 100 population.

Of the 532,513 telephones, 532,470 were Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited stations and 43 were Pugwash River Mutual Telephone Company, Limited telephones.

Minor complaints were dealt with promptly and during the year the Board considered and approved numerous Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited proposed estimated capital expenditures for plant extensions, additions, replacements and improvements. A number of conferences were held with telephone utility officers and officials.

Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited - The total of 532,470 Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited telephones as of December 31, 1982 were operated in dial exchange areas; this compares with 519,328 as of December 31, 1981. The net increase in the number of stations of Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited during 1982 was 13,142 at the end of the year (compared with 21,089 at the end of 1981; 23,931 at the end of 1980; 22,679 at the end of 1979, and 20,500 at the end of 1978) and the Company connected 110,553 stations and disconnected 96,045 stations thus working 15.7 orders to gain one station. The 532,470 Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited stations were classified as 391,220 residence stations (73.5 per cent) and 141,250 business stations (26.5 per cent) resulting in an increase of 11,338 residence telephones and 1,804 business telephones during the year. All Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited telephones have access to direct distance dialing facilities as of December 31, 1982. There were 151 Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited exchanges and one connecting company exchange in Nova Scotia.

The construction program of Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited, during the year 1982 resulted in gross additions to plant of \$96,963,658; plant retirements of \$18,028,591; and net increase to plant of \$78,935,066. Total plant in service as of December 31, 1982, was \$698,976,136 or \$1,312 per telephone compared with \$1,262, \$1,190, \$1,144, \$1,107, \$1,070 and \$1,030 per telephone in the years 1981, 1980, 1979, 1978, 1977 and 1976 respectively.

A cost of service study directed by Dr. William H. Melody, a Professor at the Department of Communications of Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia, was carried out but not completed. The Research Group consisted of Dr. William H. Melody, Director; Robin E. Mansell, Assistant Director; Dr. Paul B. Huber, Special Consultant; John Chruchill, Research Assistant, and John Lee, Research Assistant. This study is an important step toward adoption of the major changes taking place in the provision of all kinds of communications. These changes are creating a multitude of complex problems for regulators as well as telephone utilities.

Orders were issued during 1982 approving extension to base rate areas in the following exchange areas effective on the dates shown:

Mount Uniacke.....	February 16, 1982
North Sydney.....	September 8, 1982
Parsonsboro.....	December 3, 1983
Chezzetcook.....	November 13, 1982
Barrington and (establishing an Island Base Rate Area called "Clyde River").....	October 18, 1983

In 1982 there were no orders issued for Extended Area Service (EAS).

Applications to the Board and Board Orders included the following and were dealt with in the manner indicated:—

April 22, 1982 Order issued in the matter of an application of Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company, Limited for approval of a proposed issue of First Mortgage Bonds Series "Z" \$30,000,000.

April 28, 1982 Order issued in the matter of an application of Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, Limited for approval of an issue of 325,000 common shares of the capital stock for its employees under the provisions of Subsections (9), (10), and (12) of Section 69 of Chapter 258 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1967, The Public Utilities Act, approved.

January 26, 1982—issued an Order for interrogatories.

January 27, 1982—approved depreciation rates for property of the Company.

March 30, 1982—filed a decision approving revisions to the general tariff of the Company but not approving revisions to the Uniform System of Accounts.

June 1, 1982—approved the amendment of its general tariff to provide Dual Number Listing and to amend the tariff for Superbold Listings.

June 18, 1982—approved an applications to increase the number of designated four party exchanges.

June 15, 1982—issued an interrogatory in regard to revisions to long distance interprovincial rates.

June 22, 1982—amended the General Tariff to provide for Air-Ground Telephone Service.

June 29, 1982—Decision - approved revisions to long distance inter-provincial rates in general tariff.

August 11, 1982—approved waiver of service request charges and first month rate for residential vertical services.

October 29, 1982—approved revisions to Regulations Prescribing a Uniform System of Accounts for Telephone Companies (Circular 2A-1979).

November 22—approved revisions to depreciation rates for property of the Company.

December 2, 1982—approved increase in number of four party exchanges.

December 31, 1982—issued an order to provide offshore telephone service on an interim basis.

December 31, 1982—issued an order deregulating fees charged by Hotel-Motel owners.

February 1, 1982—issued an order approving the leasing of two additional circuits by Pugwash Mutual Telephone Company, Limited from Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, Limited.

September 10, 1982—issued a consent order dismissing the application of the Nova Scotia Association of Health Organizations for an order permitting interconnection of its paging services to the network of the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, Limited.

WATER

General. In 1982 the Board heard 16 applications by water utilities for rate increases. In addition there were many further applications for approval of debenture issues, capital expenditures, acquisitions, revision of Rules and Regulations, etc.

Applications. Formal applications to the Board by water utilities for increases in Schedules of Rates for water and water services and for approval of debenture issues and other matters were dealt with by the Board as follows:

Amherst, Town of—Approved an amendment to the Schedule of Rules and Regulations of the Utility by adding Regulation 44 approving the connection of ground water heat pumps to the water system of the Utility.

Bridgewater, Town of—Approved a revised Schedule of Rates and Regulations for water and water services supplied by the Town effective with respect to all accounts rendered on and after April 1st, 1982. Issued an Order approving amendments to the Schedule of Rules and Regulations of the Utility by repealing Regulation 36 and substituting a new Regulation No. 36 and by adding thereto Regulation No. 37 relating to remote registering water meters.

Kings, Municipality of the County of (Greenwood Water Utility)—Approved rates for water supply and services and Rules and Regulations effective April the 1st, 1982 and approved rates for depreciation effective January the 1st, 1982.

Halifax, Municipality of the County of—Approved amendments to its Schedule of Rates for water and water services and approval of amendments to its Schedule of Rules and Regulations effective on all accounts rendered by the Applicant on and after February 1st, 1982. And the rates annexed to Schedule "B" of the Order effective on all accounts rendered by the Applicant on and after January 1st, 1983.

Halifax, Public Service Commission of—Approved the release of an easement by the Public Service Commission of Halifax to Gerald J. McConnell and John D. MacIsaac in the lands described in Schedule "A" to the Board free and clear of the lien created by the Deed of Trust and Mortgage made by the Public Service Commission of Halifax and the Nova Scotia Trust Company as Trustee dated January 2nd, 1952. Approval of rates and charges for water supply and service to the Municipality of the County of Halifax for the Bedford/Sackville service effective on and after July 1st, 1982, and approving a further revision of rates for the Bedford/Sackville Water System effective on and after January 1st, 1983.

Approval of the conveyance of lands situate at 6141 Young Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, to the Halifax Industrial Commission and the substitution of an easement for the lands conveyed effective the 1st day of June, 1982.

Approval of the release of an easement of the Public Service Commission of Halifax to Siddall Properties Limited effective the 1st day of June, 1982.

Approval of the execution of a quit claim deed to release any interest in Spruce Hill Lake Access Road in the County of Halifax effective the 7th day of June, 1982.

Approval of the release of an easement of the Public Service Commission of Halifax to the Sister of Charity effective the 13th day of July, 1982.

Approval of the grant of easement by the Public Service Commission of Halifax to Her Majesty the Queen in the right of the Province of Nova Scotia as represented in that behalf by the Minister of Lands and Forests effective the 16th day of July, 1982.

Approval of the release of an easement by the Public Service Commission of Halifax to Murial Gray effective the 13th day of October, 1982.

Inverness, Municipality of the County of—filed a decision followed by an Order consolidating water utilities of the Municipality into one utility, determining a rate base, and rates of depreciation therefor, and approving the Schedules of Rates of water and water services and Rules and Regulations of the Utility.

Kings, Municipality of the County of (Greenwood Water Utility)—Approving rates of depreciation and a revised schedule of rates and changes for the provision of water and water services effective on and after March 31, 1982 for all water and water services and public fire protection provided during the year 1982 and further approving rates as set out in Schedule "D" to the decision effective on and after January 1st, 1983. The Rules and Regulations were approved and effective as of April 1st, 1982.

Kings, Municipality of the County of (Stead Water Utility)—Approved amendments to its Schedule of Water Rates and approved revised rates of depreciation. Rates set out in Schedule 8 of the decision approved effective on and after March 31, 1982 and rates set out in Schedule "B" to the decision effective January 1, 1983. The revised rates of depreciation as set out in Schedule "C" to the decision are effective January 1st, 1982.

Lunenburg, Town of—Approval of amendments to its Schedule of Rates, Tolls and Charges for water and water services effective on and after January 1st, 1984.

Middleton, Town of—Approved amendments to the Rates, Rules and Regulations of the Utility, deferred consideration of the Applicant's request to remove fire hydrants outside the Town's boundaries and deferred consideration of the ownership of the Veterans' Lands Affairs Subdivision and water line extensions beyond the subdivision. The new rates are effective on and after February 15th, 1982.

Mulgrave, Town of—The Board held a public hearing to consider the complaint of citizens of the Town requesting installation of water meters in their homes. The Board held that the failure to provide water meters was not discriminatory. The Board ordered the Utility to report on the impact of proposed rates for installing meters and for reading meters.

Parrsboro, Town of—The Board approved amendments to the Utility's Schedule of Rates except for the application in regard to heat pumps, swimming pools and similar uses. The Board decided that the application did not contain sufficient information in that regard.

Richmond, Municipality of the County of (Arichat/Petit De Grat)—Approved amendments to its rates for water and water services and amendments to its Schedule of Rules and Regulations. The Rates set out in Schedule "A" to the decision are effective for all water consumed and services rendered on or after April the 1st, 1982, and for public fire protection services for the year 1982. The Board approved the rates and charges set out in Schedule "B" to the decision effective January the 1st, 1983 and the rates and charges set out in Schedule "C" to the decision effective January 1st, 1984. The Rules and Regulations attached to the decision in Schedule "D" are effective on April 1st, 1982.

Springhill, Town of—Approved amendments to the Schedule of water rates and approved an increase in the public fire protection rates and approved amendments to the Schedule of Rules and Regulations for the supply of water and water services effective on and after January 1st, 1982.

Sydney Mines, Town of—Approved amendments to its Schedule of Rates for water and water services set out in Schedule "A" to the decision effective the 1st day of June, 1982, and effective on January 1st, 1982 for public fire protection services for the year 1982 and as set out in Schedule "B" to the decision effective on and after January 1st, 1983, and for the rates set out in Schedule "C" to the decision effective January 1st, 1984, and the Schedule or Rules and Regulations set out in Schedule "D" to the decision amending Regulations 9 and 16 effective after July 15th, 1982.

West Hants, Municipality of the District of (Falmouth Water System)—Approved amendments to the existing Schedule of Rates for water and water services and the Schedule of Rules and Regulations effective April 1st, 1982.

West Hants, Municipality of the District of (Three Mile Plains Water System)—Approval of amendments to the existing Schedule of Rates for water and water services and the Schedule of Rules and Regulations of the Utility effective from the 1st day of April, 1982, and the rates set out in Schedule "B" to the decision effective on the 1st day of January, 1983, and the rates as set out in Schedule "C" to the decision effective on the 1st day of January, 1984, and the Rules and Regulations as amended effective the 1st day of May, 1982.

West Hants, Municipality of the District of (Wentworth Road Water Utility)—Approved its Schedule of Rates, Rules and Regulations of its Water Utility effective the 1st day of May, 1982, and further amend-

ments as set out in Schedule "B" to the decision effective the 1st of January, 1983, and further amendments as set out in Schedule "C" to the decision effective the 1st day of January, 1984, and amendments to the Rules and Regulations effective on the 1st day of June, 1982.

MOTOR CARRIERS OPERATING AS PUBLIC UTILITIES

General. During the year 1982, motor carrier public passenger services were provided by the following entities operating as public utilities in the areas designated:

Glace Bay Bus Company Limited—within the Town of Glace Bay and between the Town and the City of Sydney; Sydney and Whitney Pier Bus Services Limited - within the City of Sydney; Pictou County Bus Service Limited - within the Towns of Trenton, New Glasgow, Stellarton and Westville; Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority - within the City of Sydney.

Applications

Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority—Approved an application for the establishment of public bus service between the City of Sydney and the Town of New Waterford and various locations in the County of Cape Breton.

Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority—Approved the operation of a pilot public bus service between the City of Sydney and Town of Louisbourg.

Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority—Approved the curtailment of service on the "Pier Route" during the months of July and August.

Allen Bus Limited—Approved the abandonment of public bus service in the Town of North Sydney and transfer of the service and transfer of certain assets to the Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority. Approved the operation of a public bus service in the Town of North Sydney by the Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority to replace the service abandoned by the Allen Bus Limited.

Glace Bay Bus Company Limited—Approved the abandonment of public bus service in the Town of Glace Bay and the transfer of the service and certain assets to the Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority. Approved the operation of a bus system in the Town of Glace Bay to replace the system abandoned by the Glace Bay Bus Company.

HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION

General. Total vehicular traffic over the Angus L. Macdonald Bridge and the A. Murray MacKay Bridge in 1982 was 23,772,368, com-

pared with 23,384,982 in 1981; 22,945,900 in 1980 and 22,309,129 in 1979. The percentage increase in 1982 over 1981 was 1.66 per cent and this compares with percentage increases of 1.91 in 1981 over 1980; 2.85 in 1980 over 1979; 4.1 in 1979 over 1978 and 9.2 in 1978 over 1977. Of the total of 23,772,368 vehicles in 1982; 20,976,024 (or 88.24 per cent of total traffic) were passenger automobiles. The percentages in 1981, 1980 and 1979 were 86.43, 86.41 and 85.8 respectively. The highest day's traffic occurred on December 17, 1982 when 90,997 vehicles of all classes crossed the bridges and this compares with 84,606 on October 23, 1981; 81,773 on October 24, 1980; 78,948 on June 15, 1979 and 77,906 on October 27, 1978. Total number of vehicles crossing both bridges in 1982 now stands at 332,884,620. All figures represent toll-paid traffic only.

GASOLINE AND FUEL OIL

GASOLINE

A decrease in the amount of gasoline sold within the Province was experienced in 1982 as shown by the statement of sales of the seven wholesalers (gasoline) licensed under the Gasoline and Fuel Oil Licensing Act set out below. Total litres for the years 1977, 1979 and 1980 were 1,721,039,704; 1,824,530,230; 1,757,050,754 and 1,786,206,703 respectively and sales for 1982 compared with 1981 were:

	Total Litres	
	1981	1982
Gulf Canada Limited	227,004,000	220,315,000
Shell Canada Limited	147,217,332	134,542,665
Petro-Canada Ventures	207,154,975	230,078,512
Imperial Oil Limited	577,236,090	490,150,740
Irving Oil Limited	417,667,557	387,122,008
Texaco Canada Inc.	212,788,000	188,074,000
Co-Op Atlantic	10,025,029	7,798,893
TOTALS	<u>1,799,092,983</u>	<u>1,658,081,818</u>

The above totals include sales direct to consumers and licensed retailers.

Comparative statistics with respect to retail licenses (gasoline) issued in the past five year period are reflected in the following table:

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
Total Retail Licenses Issued	1438	1402	1348	1311	1292
New Service Stations and Garages					
Licensed	6	4	1	7	0
Other new outlets licensed	1	2	0	1	0

New Service Stations and Garages under Construction at the end of the year	2	0	0	0	0
Licenses Transferred	183	173	141	102	118
Licenses Cancelled	45	53	36	35	35
Outlets Licensed to sell Marked Gasoline	184	162	153	147	150
Outlets Licensed to sell Diesel Fuel	203	227	252	276	324
Prior Licenses not renewed	25	24	35	31	33
Number of Service Stations and Garages Licensed	1021	996	962	936	911
Other Outlets Licensed	199	191	176	164	151
Number of Twin Pumps Licensed ..	1105	1242	1271	1311	1,389.5
Number of Single Pumps Licensed ..	2452	2181	2055	1923	1903
Number of Drums Licensed	16	30	26	16	13

Of the 1,292 retailer (gasoline) licenses issued, 911 are attached to service stations and garages and 151 to other types of outlets such as stores and canteens. A total of 230 licenses issued were not attached to service stations, garages, stores or canteens and were issued for special or restricted purposes. A total of 22 new restricted licenses were issued. The 1,292 retail licenses were exercised by the use of 1,903 single pumps and 1,389.5 twin pumps and 13 licenses authorized the sale of gasoline by drums. It will be noted that the number of retail licenses transferred during the year was 118 and that 35 licenses were cancelled.

PROPANE - GASOLINE

1982

Atlantic Speedy Propane Limited	408,462
Superior Propane Limited	68,763
Wholesaler Licenses Issued	2
Retailer Licenses Issued	6

A total of 6 restricted Retail Gasoline Licenses were issued for the sale of propane for automotive purposes. These 6 Licenses are included in the 1,292 retailer (gasoline) licenses issued.

FUEL OIL

A decrease in the amount of stove oil and an increase in the amount of furnace oil sold within the Province was experienced in 1982 as shown by the statement of sales of the seven wholesalers (fuel oil) licensed under the Gasoline and Fuel Oil Licensing Act set out below:

	Furnace Oil		Stove Oil	
	1981	1982	1981	1982
Gulf Canada Limited ...	102,269,600	121,929,000	10,380,200	8,294,000
Shell Canada Limited ...	48,768,594	53,389,309	4,641,778	4,509,522
Petro-Canada Ventures ..	39,488,709	47,744,717	6,549,245	6,317,853
Imperial Oil Limited ...	369,331,461	357,036,623	40,793,957	36,554,317
Irving Oil Limited ...	179,257,006	192,733,163	19,717,633	19,161,542
Texaco Canada Inc.	117,137,000	103,532,000	15,007,000	13,622,000
Co-Op Atlantic ...	<u>10,562,064</u>	<u>9,095,615</u>	<u>2,627,025</u>	<u>2,054,828</u>
TOTALS	<u>866,814,434</u>	<u>885,460,426</u>	<u>99,474,838</u>	<u>90,554,092</u>

Comparative statistics with respect to retail licenses (fuel oil) issued in the last two years are reflected in the following table:

	1981	1982
Total Retail Licenses Issued	158	162
Licenses Transferred	4	2
Licenses Cancelled	1	0
Licenses not renewed	15	9
Outlets taken over by Wholesaler	0	0

PROPANE - FUEL OIL

	1982
Atlantic Speedy Propane Limited	28,947,238
Superior Propane Limited	46,489,424

	1980	1981	1982
Wholesaler Licenses Issued	2	2	2
Retail Licenses Issued	<u>47</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>56</u>
TOTALS	<u>49</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>58</u>

Decisions and Orders. During the year 1982 the Board considered many filings and applications made by gasoline and fuel oil licensees requesting approval of changes in the price of petroleum products which are subject to regulation under the Gasoline and Fuel Oil Licensing Act.

The various applications were in some instances processed without a formal hearing before the Board, in other instances the Board deemed it necessary to hold formal hearings in order to determine just and reasonable prices and granting or refusing in whole or in part the increases for which approval was requested.

The dates of increases shown hereunder show dates when the increases or changes in price would normally have become effective. In some cases the increases were effective on subsequent dates because the applications were made on different dates and the applicants asked for later effective dates.

Under the separate applications of the following companies the Board issued orders determining the posted dealer and customer tank wagon prices of gasoline, diesel fuel, furnace and stove oil, and the other petroleum products supplied by them as itemized in the following schedule of price increases:

Imperial Oil Limited
Gulf Canada Limited
Irving Oil Limited
Petro-Canada Ventures
Shell Canada Limited
Texaco Canada Inc.
Co-Op Atlantic

Date of Increase	Type	Amount		
March 2, 1982	Non-Crude & Crude	DTW & CTW Grades	1A	2.9¢
			2	2.9¢
			3	2.9¢
		Diesel		2.9¢
		Stove & Furnace		2.6¢

Co-Op Atlantic
Imperial Oil Limited
Texaco Canada Inc.
Irving Oil Limited

Date of Increase	Type	Amount		
August 30, 1982	Non-Crude & Crude	DTW & CTW Grades	1A	2.6¢
			2	2.6¢
			3	2.6¢
		Diesel		2.6¢
		Stove & Furnace		2.4¢

Petro-Canada Ventures

Date of Increase	Type	Amount		
August 30, 1982	Non-Crude & Crude	DTW & CTW Grades	1A	2.3¢
			2	2.3¢
			3	2.3¢
		Diesel Stove & Furnace		2.3¢
				2.1¢

Shell Canada Limited

Date of Increase	Type	Amount		
August 30, 1982	Non-Crude Crude	DTW & CTW Grades	1A	2.1¢
			2	2.1¢
			3	2.1¢
		Diesel Stove & Furnace		2.1¢
				1.9¢
November 1, 1982	Profit Margin	DTW & CTW Grades	1A	.3¢
			2	.3¢
			3	.3¢
		Diesel Stove & Furnace		.3¢
				.3¢

Gulf Canada Limited

Date of Increase	Type	Amount		
August 30, 1982	Non-Crude & Crude	DTW & CTW Grades	1A	2.5¢
			2	2.5¢
			3	2.5¢
		Diesel Stove & Furnace		2.5¢
				2.3¢

Gulf Canada Limited

Date of Increase	Type	Amount		
September 20, 1982	Gasoline	DTW only		.2¢

Imperial Oil Limited

Date of Increase		Amount	
September 3, 1982	Gasoline	DTW only	.3¢

Texaco Canada Inc.

Date of Increase		Amount	
September 10, 1982	Gasoline	DTW only	.3¢

Under the separate applications of the following furnace fuel dealers the Board issued orders determining the posted price of furnace fuel and stove oil as itemized in the following schedule of price increases:

Dartmouth Fuels Limited
 Scotia Fuels Limited
 Wilson Fuel Company, Limited
 S. Cunard & Co., Ltd.
 Royoil Limited

March 2, 1982	2.6¢ per litre
August 30, 1982	2.4¢ per litre

In addition the Board issued separate orders determining the price of propane gas as follows:

Atlantic Speedy Propane Limited

September 7, 1982	1.89¢ per litre
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Superior Propane Limited

July 1, 1982	1.10¢ per litre
September 1, 1982	2.00¢ per litre
October 1, 1982	.80¢ per litre

Wilson Fuel Company, Limited

September 28, 1982	6.60¢ per litre
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MOTOR CARRIERS AND FEDERAL CARRIERS

Statistical Tabulation. The following Table contains statistical information relating to Motor Carrier and Extra-Provincial Operators as of December 31, 1982, with comparative figures for the previous two years:

	Year 1980	Year 1981	Year 1982
Number of New Applications Received			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	32	43	63
Public Passenger	14	10	6
School Bus	1	14	13
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	60	51	54
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	2	2	4
Number of Amendment Applications Received			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	71	65	84
Public Passenger	21	26	35
School Bus	13	10	18
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	81	81	69
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	1	4	12
Number of Transfer Applications Received			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	23	24	21
Public Passenger	3	3	2
School Bus	2	2	Nil
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	21	24	25
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	Nil	1	Nil
Number of Applications Dismissed			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	13	7	19
Public Passenger	5	3	4
School Bus	Nil	Nil	Nil
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	15	12	14
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	1	1	3
Number of Licenses Suspended			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	21	Nil	3
Public Passenger	1	2	3
School Bus	1	Nil	Nil
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	12	5	3
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	Nil	Nil	1
Number of Licenses Cancelled			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	19	30	29
Public Passenger	4	4	2
School Bus	1	2	10
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	27	26	39
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	Nil	Nil	1
Number of Licenses in Force			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	480	479	501
Public Passenger	36	39	46
School Bus	77	88	80

Extra-Provincial (Freight)	705	729	742
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	18	20	20
Number of Authorized Vehicles			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	2,912	3,094	3,519
Public Passenger	184	197	286
School Bus	1,195	1,197	1,174
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	4,457	4,687	4,753
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	174	161	160
Buses used for both school bus and charter service	148	153	152
Temporary Authority Certificates Issued			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	64	59	91
Public Passenger	10	14	13
School Bus	2	5	9
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	57	46	55
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	1	3	2
Number of Licenses Issued			
Motor Carrier (Freight)	24	26	51
Public Passenger	6	7	7
School Bus	2	13	2
Extra-Provincial (Freight)	42	39	50
Extra-Provincial (Public Passenger)	Nil	2	Nil

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Acadian Lines Limited—application for amendment to its Motor Carrier License No. 244 for the discontinuance of trip 45F from Truro to Parrsboro on Friday only. After hearing evidence that the usage of the service was so low that its continuance could not be justified the Board approved the amendment to the license and the discontinuance of the service.

Airport Transfer Company, Limited—application for an amendment to its Motor Carrier License No. 310 to increase the adult fare from Halifax or Dartmouth from \$5.00 to \$6.00. After considering the evidence of the Applicant the Board decided that the fares should be increased from \$5.00 to \$5.50.

Bannockburn Tours—issued an order that Motor Carrier License No. 2178 be suspended until further order of the Board. The License was suspended because the Board had received notice that the insurance on the bus owned by the Licensee has been cancelled.

Boyd's Bus Service (1979) Limited—application to amend its rate schedule for charter bus service. The evidence was that there had been major operating expense increases. The Board approved the application.

Bridgewater, Board of School Commissioners—Issued an order deleting Motor Carriers License No. 2054. This was done at the request of the School Board.

Cassibo Buses Limited—issued an order dismissing an application for an Extra-Provincial Operating License following the oral decision of the Board. The Board granted Temporary Authority to transport organized groups from the Cities of Halifax and Dartmouth and the County of Halifax to points in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island between June 23rd and September 7th, 1982.

Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority—issued an order dismissing an application of Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority because that service was ultra vires of the applicant.

Chester School Board—issued an order cancelling License No. 87 at the request of the School Board.

Clare District School Board—issued an order cancelling License No. 34 at the request of the School Board.

Colonial Van Lines Inc.—issued an order cancelling Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 388 because the Licensee had not appeared at a hearing to show cause why the license should not be cancelled.

Denny, Jeanette—issued an order cancelling License No. 2181 because the service authorized by the license is not being provided.

R. J. Ferguson Transit Limited—issued an order cancelling operating license No. X 653 because the service authorized is not being provided.

Kings Transit Authority—application to amend Motor Carrier License No. 2147 by eliminating some runs and by restructuring the schedules because the bus is garaged overnight in Kentville rather than in Wolfville. The Board granted the application because it eliminated runs that were not being partronized and made the operation more efficient.

McNamara's Bus Services—license was cancelled after a hearing because the bus was not available for inspection and on one appeared at a hearing to show cause why the license should not be suspended.

Pictou County Bus Services Limited—issued an order suspending Motor Carrier License No. 212 because the vehicles of the licensee were inspected and found to be in poor mechanical and body condition contrary to Section 57 of the Motor Carrier Act.

Plaza Taxi—application to amend Motor Carrier License No. 2261 -dismissed on evidence that Plaza Taxi had been operating in violation of Section 19 of the Motor Carrier Act.

Perry Rand Limited—application for an amendment to Motor Carrier License No. 595 and Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 1176 -approved amendments to rates charged for chartered tour service.

St. Mary's Municipal School Board—issued an order cancelling Motor Carrier License No. 24 because vehicles operated under this license were taken over by the Guysborough County District School Board.

Bannockburn Tours—issued an order revoking suspension of license because necessary insurance had been provided.

Village Bus Tours Limited—application for an increase in fares, for amendment to its license to allow it to pick up via rail tour passengers and to allow charter work from the counties of Shelburne and Queens. The Board applied the tests set out in Section 11 of the Motor Carrier Act and approved the applications except for the amendment allowing charter work from Shelburne and Queens counties.

Yellow Cab Limited—application to amend fares and change times of service - application approved.

Zinck's Bus Company Limited—application for an increase in rates approved.

George Leland Zwicker—issued an order requiring George Leland Zwicker to pay Board costs in the amount of \$350 and suspending Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 1141 and Motor Carrier License No. 2078 until such time as the Order of the Board is complied with. Suspension was for violating Section 19 of the Motor Carrier Act and for presenting false documents to an inspector of the Motor Carrier Division of the Board.

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Morley Annear Limited—dismissed an application to amend Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 763 because the applicant failed to show sufficient need for the additional service.

Art Armitage Trucking Limited—cancelled Motor Carrier License No. 1861 and Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 965 because these services had been transferred to the license of G. P. Feit Trucking Limited with approval of the Board.

Clarence Arsenaault Trucking—dismissed an application for an Extra-Provincial Operating License because necessary insurance coverage certificates had not been provided to the Board.

AVP Trucking Company Limited—application for an amendment to its Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 1123 to delete carriage on

behalf of Selective Building Services and Daigle Lumber Limited and to add carriage of building materials from Ontario to Nova Scotia and reverse on behalf of Robert E. Hunt Corporation, London, Ontario and Mitten Siding Company of Cambridge, Ontario. Board concluded that there was a need for the service and that the granting of the application would not adversely affect other services - application granted.

J. W. Baughan Limited—application to amend Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 71 - the Board approved the application in part and cancelled part of the applicant's license the use of which was found to be dormant.

B. D. C. Limited—application to amend License No. 1849 and a license under the Motor Vehicle Transport Act - the applicant was to provide courier service within Nova Scotia and interprovincially. The Board found that the public would benefit from the granting of the application and that there would not be an undue adverse affect on existing licensed carriers.

Bell's Transfer Limited—application to transfer license to Taylor's Transfer Limited approved and Motor Carrier License No. 403 cancelled.

Big Wheels Transport and Leasing Limited—application to amend Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 1201 - upon a motion to dismiss by an opponent to the application at the hearing. The Board dismissed the application because there was no evidence of need for the service, no shippers being present to give evidence and the evidence of the applicant being insufficient.

Big Wheels Transport and Leasing Limited—application for temporary authority dismissed because there was not sufficient evidence of an immediate and special need for the service.

Big Wheels Transport and Leasing Limited—on an application to amend Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 1201 the applicant did not appear at the hearing and the Board assessed costs against the applicant. The applicant failed to comply with the order for costs and as a result pursuant to Section 16 and Section 25 of the Motor Carrier Act Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 1201 was suspended until the order of the Board has been complied with.

E. J. Bourque Transport Limited—application for an amendment to its Extra-Provincial Operating Authority X 213 - a decision in regard to part of the application was deferred until the Quebec Transport Board had made its decision in regard to the same service. Upon a favourable decision by that Board, the application was approved.

Burke Brothers Trucking Limited—application for a license to carry

lowbed freight service from points in the County of Richmond throughout Nova Scotia and reverse. The Board was satisfied that there was a need for the service, that the criteria set out in Section 11 of the Motor Carrier Act had been met and granted the application.

C & H Transportation Company Incorporated—application for an Extra-Provincial Operating License - the Board adjourned the hearing of this application because it seemed probable that if the hearing had proceeded it would have been necessary to adjourn the hearing without completion of the matter. The adjournment did not effect any of the parties adversely and the applicant was able to continue providing service under a temporary authority.

108040 Canada Ltee.—application under the Motor Vehicle Transport Act for a license to carry lumber within Nova Scotia and to Quebec for the account of Leonard Allen Canada Incorporated. The applicant failed to appear at the hearing and the Board awarded costs in the amount of \$100 to each party appearing by solicitor and \$75 to Mr. Gerald Sarchfield for travelling expenses.

Cassibo Buses Limited—application for a charter license for charter groups to New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Application dismissed - temporary authority granted.

Chet's Transport Incorporated—application for an amendment to License No. X 291 for a corridor authority in regard to traffic from the United States to and from Newfoundland. The Board referred to the decision in the matter of the application of John R. Gunn dated November 30th, 1977. Application approved. This decision deals with Board's interpretation of "general freight", "lowbed trailer", "drop frame trailer" and "special equipment".

D.D.D. Insurance Courier Services Limited—application to provide a courier service throughout Nova Scotia - application granted.

Benjamin Dankner (Dependable Delivery)—application for a temporary authority - Board held that there was not an immediate or special need and dismissed the petition.

Day & Ross Limited—application for a temporary authority - application dismissed because there was not sufficient evidence of special need.

Keith I. Donnelly—application for a temporary authority - Board was satisfied that there was a special need and there would not be any adverse affect upon other licensed services. Application granted.

Cyril L. Dauphinee Limited—application for an amendment to Motor Carrier License No. 144 to transport lumber and forest products from Nova Scotia to the autoport for McLeod Lumber Sales Limited. Ap-

plication granted. The Board ordered the applicant to desist using combined bills for services provided in Newfoundland and in Nova Scotia giving the impression of a through service.

Owen Davis Trucking Limited—amendment to Motor Carrier License No. 1959 to carry oil field equipment and materials and supplies over all highways in Nova Scotia. Application granted in part.

Delco Enterprises Limited—License No. X 1232, license revoked because of lack of insurance coverage as required by the Board's regulations.

Eastern Transport Limited—application to amend Motor Carrier License No. 134 to carry barium sulphate in bulk on behalf of Baroid Canada Limited. Board was satisfied that the provisions of Section 11 of the Motor Carrier Act had been met and approved the application.

William T. Ford—application for an amendment to License No. X 1237 and No. 2128 for the transportation of industrial trailers, portable classrooms and modular homes, application approved in part.

Franks Crane Rentals Limited—application for transportation of heavy machinery and contractor's equipment, delivery of liquid oxygen in cylinders to hospitals, application granted.

G. Gagne Transport Enrg.—License No. X 210 was restored on evidence that non-payment of the license fee had been the result of a loss of files in a serious fire.

Germaine and Williams Trucking Limited—application to amend Extra-Provincial Operating License No. X 783 and Motor Carrier License No. 1606 - application dismissed because of insufficient evidence of need.

Duncan Edward Gillis—application to amend Motor Carrier License No. 1923 to carry coal from points in Cape Breton County to Brookfield, Colchester County. Application granted.

Hillman's Transfer Limited—application to amend License No. X 1117 to carry fresh, frozen and processed fish by specialty temperature controlled service - application granted.

Hillman's Transfer Limited—hearing to show cause why License No. X 1117 should not be cancelled. Hillman's Transfer Limited were ordered to pay \$750 for 15 single trip permits, trips already made without authority and an additional \$150 costs.

Hillside Auto Carriers Limited—application for a license to carry used automobiles from Quebec to Nova Scotia and reverse. Application approved.

Hoop-up Limited—License No. X 1349 - the Board reinstated the License that had been revoked in error.

Thomas Emery Kaulback—application for a license to haul lumber for Bowater Mersey Limited. Section 11 of the Motor Carrier Act complied with - application approved.

Phil Leil Enterprises Limited—show cause hearing in regard to alleged violation of the Motor Carrier Act - the Board suspended the license of the Licensee for a period of 14 days.

Maritime Ontario Freight Lines Limited—application for an amendment to License No. X 94 to allow irregular specialty lowbed freight service -meaning of the words "general", "freight vehicle", drop-frame" and "lowbed" as used in the regulations under the Motor Carrier Act were considered and interpreted. Distinction between highbed and lowbed trailers explained. Distinction drawn between a general freight carrier and a heavy hauler.

Midland Transport Limited—application to amend License No. X 171 -this was an application to consolidate the language of the license already held by the applicant and not for an extension of its present authority. Application approved.

Henry Mitchell Trucking Limited—application for an amendment to License No. X 702. Applicant failed to show sufficient need for the granting of this amendment. Application dismissed.

J. P. MacInnis Trucking Limited—application to amend License No. 381 and License No. X 318. One part of the proposed amendment was approved and the remainder was dismissed because the Applicant did not provide sufficient evidence of need. The Board deleted several parts of the Applicant's existing License because service licensed had not been provided within recent years. Following the decision the Board filed an amendment to its decision for purposes of clarifying an ambiguity.

Lawrence MacIntosh—application for a license under the Motor Carrier Act to pick up and dispose of garbage using large containers for named companies. Application approved.

McKay's Transport Limited—application to transfer License No. 233 and No. X 361 to Day & Ross Limited. Application approved. McKay's Transport Limited License cancelled.

Nelson Freightways Incorporated—application to amend License No. X 1101 - Board did not have any viva voce evidence before it indicating need. Application dismissed.

Geno A. Polegato—application for a Motor Carrier License for a

specialty lowbed freight service - need for part of the service applied for was established by evidence. Application approved in part.

Reliable Delivery Service Limited—the Board held a hearing for the Licensee to show cause why its license should not be revoked. The Applicant appeared and gave evidence as to the service being provided. Licensee was ordered to apply to amend its license. Part of license deleted.

RST Industries Limited—application for amendment to License No. X 915 to allow specialty tank truck route freight service to carry chemicals in bulk from New Brunswick to Nova Scotia and return. The Board decided that granting the amendment would not have an adverse affect on other licensed carriers, that it was in the public interest to have increased competition in the service applied for. Application approved.

R. K. Russell Transportation Limited—application to amend License No. 2087 to provide for the transportation of fish and fish products and fish plant machinery and equipment on behalf of National Sea Products Limited. The Board decided that granting the amendment would not have an adverse affect on other licensed carriers, that there wasn't sufficient evidence of need for carriage of fish plant machinery and equipment and that the burden was on the Applicant to show that there was a need. Application approved to carry fresh fish and fish products but denied in regard to machinery and equipment.

Seaboard Liquid Carriers Limited—application for an amendment to License No. 645 to carry liquid asphalt for Municipal Ready Mix Limited and to carry liquid and dry bulk products for Seaboard Offshore Services Limited. Upon motion at the end of the presentation of the Applicant's case the Board dismissed the application insofar as it related to transportation of liquid and dry bulk products for Seaboard Off-Shore Services Limited because the Applicant had not presented a prima facie case. The Board had granted a license to the Applicant to fulfill a contract for the carriage of liquid asphalt and the Applicant had provided good service for a period of two years. Even though the evidence indicated that there was surplus of equipment available from licensed carriers, the Board decided to grant the amendment rather than make the Applicant discontinue providing a service that it had been providing for two years under contract.

Byron Singer Trucking and Transport—application for a Motor Carrier License to carry building supplies for Kingston Lumber and Building Supplies. The Board decided that granting the application would not have an adverse affect on other licensed carriers and that there was a need for the service. Application approved.

H. A. Tabenken and Company Inc.—application for an Extra-Provincial Operating License. The Board approved the application sub-

ject to the subsequent approval of the Newfoundland Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities. The Newfoundland Board having dismissed the application, the Applicant's application to the Nova Scotia Board was dismissed.

Taylor's Transfer Limited—application to amend License No. 889 for specialty controlled temperature freight service from Truro to points in Nova Scotia. The Board decided that it was in the interest of the public to approve the application in restricted form because the Applicant was providing a walk-in type of refrigerator in Truro and because the Board felt that the granting of the application in a restricted form would not adversely affect other licensed carriers.

F. M. Taylor Trucking Limited—application to amend License No. X 989 and License No. 904 to carry products for Parrsboro Fabricators Limited and Wesken Industries Limited and to carry construction machinery and equipment. The Board decided that there was a need for the proposed service and that the criteria set out in Section 11 of the Motor Carrier Act had been met. Application approved.

F. M. Taylor Limited—application for a Temporary Authority to carry products manufactured or distributed by Canadian Automotive Radiator Limited. The Board stated that there had to be an immediate or special need for the service and that no other licensed carrier is capable of providing this service. The Board decided that there was not a need for the Temporary Authority. Application dismissed.

Welton Construction (1975) Limited—application to transfer License No. 2033 to Vernon Kynock Trucking Limited. The proposed Transferee had been operating illegally. The non-use of the License of the Transferor may affect its right to transfer the license. *re* Lee B. Hawkins (1941) 39 PUR (NS) 417 at page 421 referred to. *re* Henry B. Moyer (145) 59 PUR (NS) 322 at page 324 referred to. *The Louisanna Service Commission v. C. C. Fuller* (1943) 48 PUR (NS) 252 at page 253 referred to. Sections 16, 12 and 19 of the Motor Carrier Act referred to and considered. The Board held that it has the power to transfer part of the license under authority of Section 12 of the Act and also the power under Section 12 to cancel a license or part of the license before it is transferred under Section 19. The Board decided that there would be a transfer allowing the local service only and not a Province-Wide service. The Board exercised its discretion in considering the previous violations of the Applicant and decided that in this case they should not prevent the application being approved.

John S. Wood Limited—the Board called a hearing for John S. Wood Limited to show why its License No. 240 and License No. X 96 should not be cancelled. The Board was satisfied that the licenses were not dormant and the Board confirmed the licenses.

Woodlawn Construction Limited—application for a Temporary Authority to carry test weights for Howe Richardson Canada Incorporated. The Board was not satisfied that an immediate and special need had been proven. Application dismissed.

George Leland Zwicker—the Board called a hearing in regard to Operating License No. X 1141 and Motor Carrier License No. 2078 for the Board to investigate the activities of the Licensee who was charged with carrying Prestone antifreeze without a license. Also charged with presenting false documents to a Motor Carrier Inspector. The Board found that the Licensee was guilty and charged the costs as authorized by Section 35 (2) of the Motor Carrier Act in the amount of \$350.

MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES AND REPRESENTATION ACT

Applications.—These include the following and were dealt with in the manner indicated.

Annapolis, Municipality of the County of—filed a decision approving new boundaries to polling division. Population, community of interest, and where possible natural features of land were considered in the decision.

Antigonish, Municipality of the County of—filed a decision approving a change in the boundary between polling district 6 and 7 and confirmation of the remaining polling district boundaries and the number of councillors to be elected from each district.

Argyle, Municipality of the District of—filed a decision dividing the district of Argyle into eight polling districts, confirming the existing boundaries of the polling districts and deciding that one councillor shall be elected for each of the eight districts.

Barrington, Municipality of the District of—filed a decision approving the division of polling district two into two polling districts to be numbered two and three, each to be represented by a single councillor and confirming the boundaries of the remaining districts and renumbering the remaining districts.

Barrington, Municipality of the District of and Shelburne, Municipality of the District of—filed a decision settling the boundary between the two municipalities and to set the number and boundaries of the polling districts in each municipality.

Cape Breton, Municipality of the County of—filed a decision changing the district boundaries and a number of districts and the number of councillors representing the districts and ordered the applicant to apply to this Board or to the proposed Municipal Board to give the subject matter of this hearing further consideration as soon as adequate study and preparation for such a hearing can be completed.

Cape Breton, Municipality of the County of—filed a decision approving boundaries of polling districts of the Municipality, changing the number of districts and setting the number of councillors to be elected from each polling district. This decision was the result of a second application by the County in regard to the same matter.

Chester, Municipality of the District of—filed a decision confirming the number and boundaries of the polling divisions and the number of councillors to be elected from each.

Cumberland, Municipality of the County of—filed a decision changing the number of polling districts in the County of Cumberland and determining the number of councillors to be elected from each.

Cumberland, Municipality of the County of—issued an order amending the Board's previous decision and order relating to the boundaries of polling divisions in the County of Cumberland correcting the boundaries of districts 6, 7 and 12.

East Hants, Municipality of—filed a decision confirming the number of boundaries of the polling districts and the number of councillors to be elected from each.

Guysborough, Municipality of the District of—filed a decision confirming the number and boundaries of the polling districts and the number of councillors to be elected from each.

Halifax, City of—filed a decision annexing an area now within the Municipality of the County of Halifax. The area annexed included lands that the City of Halifax intended to develop into an industrial park. The Board weighed many factors relating to the desirability of such an annexation and approved the annexation of part of the land included in the application by the City of Halifax. This decision was subject to appeal by the County and was also subject of a writ of certiorari.

Halifax, Municipality of the County of—issued an order approving changes in the number and boundaries of polling districts in the County of Halifax and the number of councillors to be elected from each of the polling districts.

Kings, Municipality of the County of—filed a decision approving changes in the boundaries of polling districts numbered 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 and confirmed the number of councillors to be elected from each of the polling districts. This decision amends the decision of the Board dated the 14th day of December, 1981 and was necessary in order to clarify that decision and to provide an appropriate effective date for the application of this decision in regard to the Liquor Control Act.

Lunenburg, Municipality of the District of—issued an order approving the annexation of a portion of the Town of Bridgewater to the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg.

Lunenburg, Municipality of the District of—issued an order altering the boundaries of the polling district number four by adding certain lands thereto.

Mulgrave, Town of—filed a decision approving new boundaries for the wards in the Town of Mulgrave and approving the number of councillors for each ward.

Pictou, Municipality of the County of—issued an order confirming the number and boundaries of the polling districts and the number of councillors to be elected from each polling district.

Pictou, Municipality of the County of—issued an order affixing the boundaries of the County of Pictou where they border on certain portions of both the Town of New Glasgow and the Town of Stellarton.

Queens, Municipality of the County of—issued an order settling the number and boundaries of the polling districts in the County and determining the number of councillors to represent each.

Richmond, Municipality of the County of—issued an order confirming the number and boundaries of the polling districts of the Municipality and the number of councillors to be elected from each.

Shelburne, Municipality of the District of—filed a decision confirming the number and boundaries of the polling districts and the number of councillors to be elected from each.

St. Mary's Municipality of the District of—issued an order confirming the number and boundaries of the polling districts and the number of councillors to be elected from each.

Truro, Town of—filed a decision approving the annexation of certain lands of the Municipality of the County of Colchester. This decision related to the watershed lands for the Town of Truro water supply. In arriving at its decision, the Board weighed many relevant factors and altered the boundaries of lands proposed for annexation in order to minimize the effects on residents of the County. The decision also provided for financial adjustments between the Town of Truro and the County of Colchester.

Yarmouth, Municipality of the District of—filed a decision confirming the number and boundaries of the polling districts and the number of councillors to be elected from each.

SALVAGE YARDS LICENSING

During 1982 the Board continued the administration of the Salvage Yards Licensing Act with its staff of one supervisor, seven field inspectors and one general office clerk.

There was an increase in the number of licenses issued for 1982, 336 compared to 319 in 1981. With 30 new licenses applied for, up one from 29 applied for in 1981.

The number of private property inspections increased from 4,396 in 1981 to 5,021 in 1982, an increase of 14.2%. The number of private properties cleaned up increased slightly by 2.1% from 1,026 in 1981 to 1,048 in 1982. The total number of inspections in 1982 were 8,667, up from 7,902 in 1981, an increase of 9.7%.

The increase in the number of inspections is due to depressed market conditions resulting in very limited crushing activity, thus leaving the inspectors more time to concentrate on property and salvage yard inspections.

The demand for scrap was weak in 1982 with only 12,865 vehicles crushed and removed from the Province, down 30,712 from the 43,577 crushed in 1981, a decrease of 70.5%.

The Department of Environment continued with grants committed to ten Municipalities, down from 16 in 1981, resulting in the collection of approximately 1,500 vehicles across the Province.

These grants are discontinued April 1, 1983, and the loss of this incentive for Municipalities to participate in derelict vehicle removal programs will place an increasing work load on our staff to endeavour to control this problem.

In travelling across the Province from Yarmouth to Sydney, there was a noticeable improvement in the derelict vehicle problem over the past 3 or 4 years with very few problem areas. If the scrap market does not improve, the accumulation of junked cars will continue, salvage yards will become full, making it more difficult to have derelicts removed from private properties. This will require additional efforts by our inspection staff to encourage public to dispose of derelict vehicles. Where there is no market for scrap, salvage yards become unsightly because of their increasing inventory of wrecked vehicles. The yards must continue to buy the scrap vehicles in order to have a supply of spare parts even though they are unable to sell the remaining scrap.

There appears to be a slight improvement in the market. Recently, Norcast (out of New Brunswick) have a limited order for shredded scrap and are currently crushing vehicles in the Halifax County area. Hopefully this trend will continue.

The following is a summary of statistical information related to the calendar year 1982, compared with 1978, 1979, 1980 and 1981:

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
Applications for licenses	25	34	36	29	30
Licenses granted (new and renewals)	289	299	311	319	336
Applications dismissed	5	4	11	6	5
Applications pending	17	25	26	19	10
Licenses transferred	7	10	5	7	5
Prosecutions under Section 2 of the Salvage Yards Licensing Act	2	0	4	6	4
Properties inspected (private)	2,242	4,576	4,061	4,396	5,021
Properties cleaned up (private)	2,078	1,109	1,728	1,026	1,048
Total number of inspections	8,944	9,253	7,828	7,902	8,667

The following is a summary of the number of auto bodies crushed by four mobile crushers operating in the Province in 1982:

Delco	169
Iannetti	3,042
Les Press	375
Norcast	<u>9,279</u>
	<u>12,865</u>

The following is a summary by counties showing the number of vehicles crushed during the years 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, and 1982:

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	TOTAL
Annapolis ...	100	4,140	1,720	2,735	870	9,565
Antigonish ..	1,251	75	292	1,510	--	3,128
Cape Breton ..	4,610	5,775	3,170	5,730	2,532	21,817
Colchester ..	3,690	2,660	3,210	3,755	1,445	14,760
Cumberland ..	2,526	1,215	2,184	1,210	594	7,729
Digby	650	600	790	740	280	3,060
Guysborough ..	87	100	918	100	--	1,205
Halifax	9,043	6,106	6,004	7,958	2,980	32,091
Hants	2,210	746	3,022	2,488	60	8,526
Inverness ...	--	1,485	470	85	642	2,682
Kings	590	1,100	1,180	4,715	330	7,915
Lunenburg ..	1,763	2,792	1,825	2,223	1,749	10,352
Pictou	1,762	1,205	3,157	3,309	660	10,093
Queens	984	410	561	185	393	2,533
Richmond ...	--	145	800	150	153	1,248
Shelburne ...	229	427	1,646	857	--	3,159

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Victoria	910	680	465	760	90	2,905
Yarmouth . . .	854	840	3,716	433	87	5,930
TOTALS	<u>31,259</u>	<u>30,501</u>	<u>35,130</u>	<u>38,943</u>	<u>12,865</u>	<u>148,698</u>

THE INSURANCE ACT

During 1982, filings of rate schedules and amendments thereto were made with the Board by and on behalf of automobile insurance companies under the Insurance Act. Indices of information so filed and the names, head offices, addresses and registered agents of insurance companies and others as supplied by them to the Board have been maintained.

SCHEDULES

The following schedules are attached as part of this report:

Schedule "A"—Financial Statements of the Board for the year 1982.

Schedule "B"—A list of public utilities as of December 31, 1982.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) Board of Commissioners of
Public Utilities

Per J. S. Drury, Chairman
Per A. J. Meagher, Vice Chairman

**PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1982**

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Chairman and Members of the Board of Commissioners of
Public Utilities:

I have examined the balance sheet of the Nova Scotia Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities as at December 31, 1982 and the statement of expenditures and recoveries for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at December 31, 1982 and the results of its

operations for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Halifax, Nova Scotia
August 26, 1983

A.W. Sarty
AUDITOR GENERAL

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1982

ASSETS

	1982	1981
Current		
Cash	\$ -	\$ 53,421
Accounts receivable	120,079	98,582
Short term investments	<u>240,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
	<u>\$ 360,079</u>	<u>\$ 252,003</u>

LIABILITIES

Current		
Bank overdraft	\$ 8,786	\$ -
Accounts payable	64,262	6,655
Due to Public Utilities (Note 3)	<u>107,767</u>	<u>73,056</u>
	180,815	79,711
Longterm		
Future pension liability (Note 4)	<u>24,540</u>	<u>17,568</u>
	<u>205,355</u>	<u>97,279</u>
Advances for Working Capital		
Province of Nova Scotia	125,000	125,000
Public Utilities	<u>29,724</u>	<u>29,724</u>
	154,724	154,724
	<u>\$ 360,079</u>	<u>\$ 252,003</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board

J. S. Drury

Chairman

R. A. Robertson

Member

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND RECOVERIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1982

	1982	1981
Expenditures		
Advertising	\$ 1,626	\$ -
Assessment written off	600	-
Books and reports	2,374	5,230
Consultant fees	27,394	460
Consultant fees - special study	49,181	32,469
Dues and fees	2,516	2,431
Equipment and maintenance	29,780	18,886
Miscellaneous	715	427
Office supplies and postage	11,781	7,609
Relocation expenses	21,233	-
Rent and business taxes	111,973	104,313
Salaries, wages and employees' benefits	586,598	566,252
Telephone and telegraph	11,554	13,720
Transcription services	10,804	3,003
Travel	24,135	29,914
	<u>892,264</u>	<u>784,714</u>
Recoveries		
Interest income	33,424	11,603
Province of Nova Scotia (Note 5)	506,800	458,900
Public Utilities assessment	386,700	319,172
	<u>926,924</u>	<u>789,675</u>
Excess of recoveries over expenditures (Note 3)	\$ <u>34,660</u>	\$ <u>4,961</u>

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
NOTE TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1982

1. Authority and Activities

The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities is responsible for the administration of the Public Utilities Act. Section 14(1) of the Public Utilities Act requires the Board to estimate its expenditures in administering the Act and assess them against the public utilities. These financial statements disclose the Board's expenditures, recoveries, assessments, assets and liabilities associated with its activities under the Public Utilities Act.

The Board is also responsible for the administration of several other Provincial statutes. Expenses incurred by the Board in administering these other acts are deducted from total expenses and subject to recovery from the Province of Nova Scotia.

2. Accounting Policies

Expenditures

Fixed assets are charged to expense in the year of acquisition.

3. Due to Public Utilities

	1982	1981
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 73,056	\$ 68,095
Add - Excess of recoveries over expenditures	34,660	4,961
- Adjustment	51	-
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 107,767</u>	<u>\$ 73,056</u>

4. Future Pension Liability

Employees of the Board are entitled to purchase pension service credits for certain years of war service. Any increase in an employee's pension as a result of the purchase of war service is the responsibility of the Board. Any such increase will be billed to the Board when pension payments commence upon the employees retirement.

The Future Pension Liability is designed to meet future obligations in respect of war service credits. At December 31, 1982, the balance of \$24,540 consists of accumulated employee contributions of \$19,381 and interest of \$5,159.

5. Recoveries - Province of Nova Scotia

The following are expenditures incurred by the Board in administering legislation other than the Public Utilities Act. These expenditures are recoverable from the Province of Nova Scotia and are deducted from total expense to be assessed against the public utilities.

	1982	1981
Gasoline and Fuel Oil Licencing Act	\$ 155,600	\$ 140,700
Salvage Yard Licencing Act	39,000	35,100
Motor Carriers Licencing Act	244,400	222,000
Municipal Boundaries and Representa- tion Act	52,300	47,000
Automobile Insurance Act	15,500	14,100
	<u>\$ 506,800</u>	<u>\$ 458,900</u>

6. Lease Agreement

The Board has entered into a lease agreement respecting its office space in Halifax. The lease calls for monthly payments of \$7,701.75 to expire on January 31, 1985. There is an escalation provision in the lease for increases in tax, electrical and cleaning costs.

SCHEDULE "B"

LIST OF PUBLIC UTILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1982

PRIVATE TELEPHONE COMPANIES

Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, Limited

MUTUAL TELEPHONE COMPANIES UNDER THE RURAL TELEPHONE ACT

Pugwash River Mutural Telephone Company, Limited

MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS

WATER

Amherst, Town of

Annapolis County, Municipality of (Granville Ferry Water System)

Annapolis County, Municipality of (Margaretville Water System)
Annapolis Royal, Town of
Antigonish, Municipality of County of
Antigonish, Town of
Baddeck, Village Commissioners of
Bible Hill, Village Commissioners of
Bridgetown, Town of
Bridgewater, Public Service Commission of
Caledonia Power and Water Board
Canning, Water Commissioners for the Village of
Canso, Town of
Cape Breton, Municipality of the County of
Cokchester, Municipality of the County of (Tatamagouche System)
Dartmouth, City of
Digby Water Commission
Dominion, Town of
East Hants, Municipality of the District of (Elmsdale System)
East Hants, Municipality of the District of (Enfield System)
East Hants, Municipality of the District of (Lantz Water System)
East Hants, Municipality of the District of (Shubenacadie System)
Halifax, Municipality of the County of (Bedford/Sackville Water System)
Halifax, Public Service Commission of
Hantsport, Town of
Inverness, Municipality of the County of
Kentville Water Commission
Kings, Municipality of the County of (Greenwood Water System)
Kings, Municipality of the County of (Stead Water System)
Lawrencetown, Village Commissioners of
Liverpool, Town of
Louisbourg, Town of
Lunenburg, Town of
Mahone Bay, Town of
Middleton, Town of
Mulgrave, Town of
New Glasgow, Town of
New Minas, Village of
New Waterford & District Water Commission
North Sydney, Town of
Oxford, Town of
Parrsboro, Town of
Pictou, Town of
Port Hawkesbury, Town of
Port Williams, Village Commissioners of
Richmond, Municipality of the County of (Arichat Water System)
Richmond, Municipality of the County of (Louisdale Water System)
Richmond, Municipality of the County of (Evanston Water System)
St. Mary's, Municipality of the District of (Sherbrooke)
St. Peter's, Village Commissioners of

Shelburne, Town of
Springhill, Town of
Stellarton, Town of
Stewiacke, Town of
Sydney Mines, Town of
Sydney Water Commission
Trenton, Town of
Truro, Town of
Victoria, Municipality of the County of (Dingwall System)
West Hants, Municipality of the District of (Falmouth Water System)
West Hants, Municipality of the District of (Three Mile Plains)
West Hants, Municipality of the District of (Wentworth Road Water System)
Westville, Town of
Windsor, Town of
Wolfville, Town of
Yarmouth, Town of
Queens, Municipality of the County of (Lakeview Subdivision)

ELECTRIC UTILITY

CROWN CORPORATION

Nova Scotia Power Corporation

ELECTRIC UTILITIES

MUNICIPAL

Antigonish, Town of
Berwick, Town of
Canso, Town of
Kentville Electric Commission
Lunenburg, Town of
Mahone Bay, Town of
Riverport Electric Light Commission

MOTOR CARRIERS OPERATING AS PUBLIC UTILITIES

Pictou County Regional Transit Authority
Cape Breton Regional Transit Authority

UNDER SPECIAL ACT

Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission